

How to Enter & View Program Activity Levels (PALs) Data

PALs Reporting Requirement

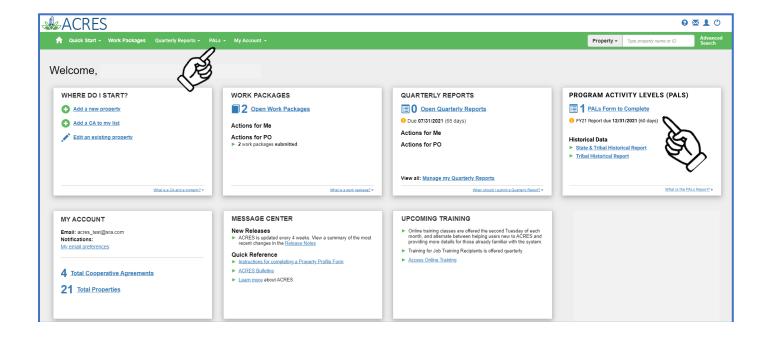
State & Tribal Section 128(a) cooperative agreement recipients ("CARs") are required to report a summary of the *previous federal fiscal year's* work (October 1 through September 30), known as Program Activity Levels ("PALs") data. EPA encourages CARS to fulfill this requirement by submitting their PALs report directly in <u>EPA's ACRES database</u>. This quick reference guide provides instruction on how CARs can report PALs in ACRES.

Registering and Accessing ACRES

For helpful information regarding registration for new users and accessing ACRES, please see the <u>ACRES</u> Registration and Login Documents.

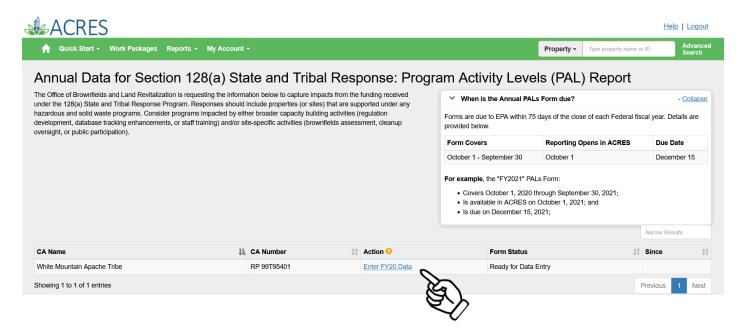
Entering PALs data

 From your ACRES Home page, start by clicking PALs Form to Complete on the Program Activity Levels (PALs) card. You can also access the report by clicking the PALs drop down menu and selecting Add PALs Data.





2. To enter your PALs data, find the Organization's report you would like to update and click **Enter FY PALs Data**. This link will open the PALs report.

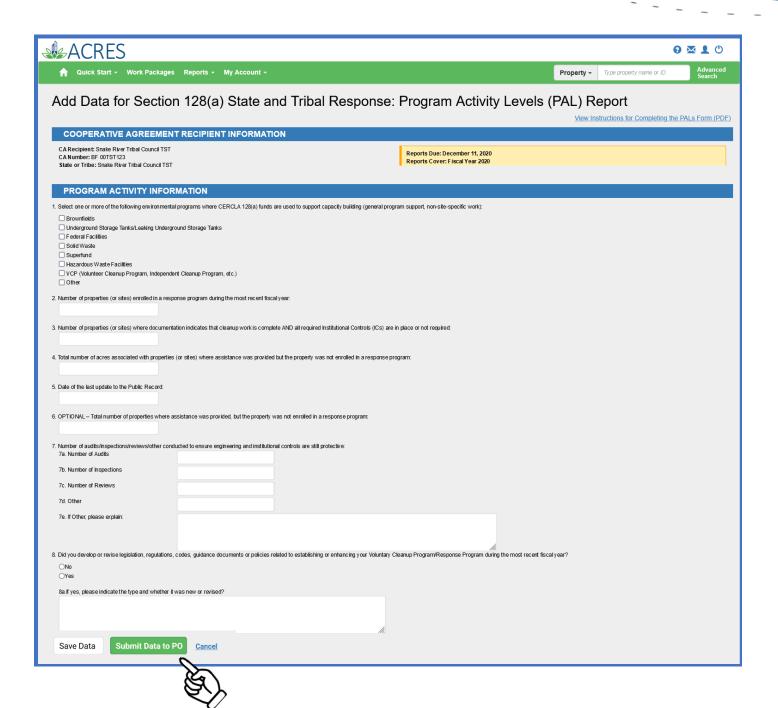


Confirm you've selected the correct organization and fiscal year by reviewing the Cooperative
 Agreement Recipient Information section. Once confirmed, complete the PALs report by entering
 data in the Program Activity Information section.

<u>Note</u>: For further instructions on answering PALs questions, please see: <u>Instructions for Completing CERCLA 128(a) State and Tribal Program PALs Form.</u>

- 4. After you have updated the PAL report, you will need to submit to your Project Officer for review. To submit the report, scroll to the bottom of the page and click the >>Submit Data to PO button.
- Note: When updating the PALs questions, all fields require a value. If there are no accomplishments for an activity, a "0" must be entered. Also, please be sure a date is entered for question #5.

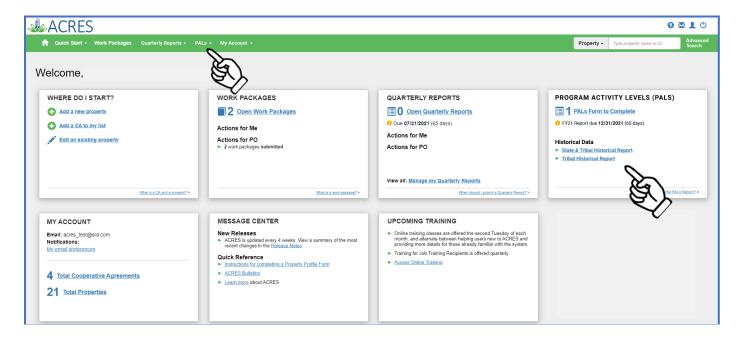






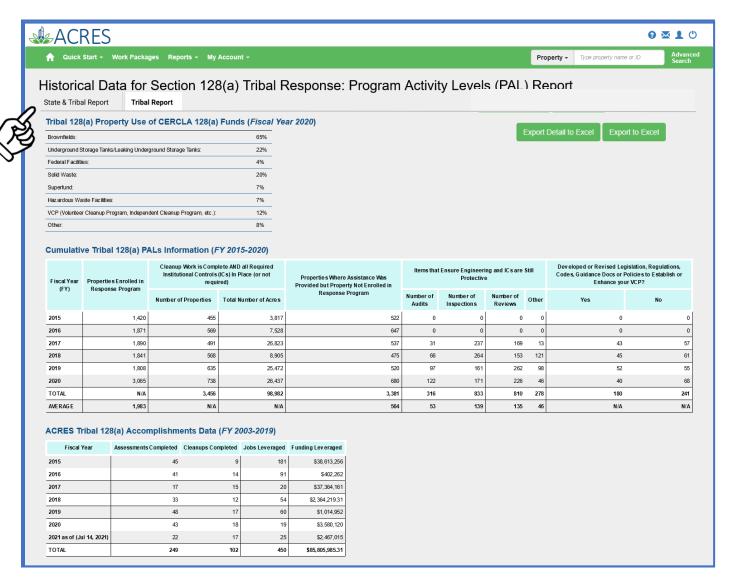
Viewing Historical PALs data

From your ACRES Home page, click the State & Tribal Historical Report or Tribal Historical Report
link on the Program Activity Levels (PALs) card. You can also access the historical data by clicking
the PALs drop down menu and selecting the Historical report you would like to view.





2. From the **Historical Data for Section 128(a) Tribal Response: Program Activity Level (PAL) Report** page, the **State & Tribal Report** and **Tribal Report** tabs at the top of the page give you the ability to toggle between each historical report.





The Export Detail to Excel will provide a detailed summary of the PALs data into an Excel spreadsheet for easy sorting and filtering.



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